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LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO CURRENCY, FINANCE AND BANKING, FROM 1789 TO 1891. Compiled by CHARLES F. DUNBAR, Professor of Political Economy in Harvard University. Pp. 309. Boston : Ginn & Co. 1891.

The intent of this excellent collection which will be welcomed by all teachers and students of political economy and financial history is to bring within easy reach the important parts of our national legislation relating to currency, coinage, loans and banking. It is based not upon the revised statutes, but upon the statutes at large, thus giving a succinct historical review of the financial legislation from the establishment of our government to the present day. Besides the sections devoted to currency, finance and banking, there is one on coins and coinage from 1789 to 1891. The whole is judiciously supplemented by the texts of certain vetoed bills and of a few other documents of historical importance, which, although not among the statutes, are none the less significant. No one could be more admirably fitted than Prof. Dunbar for the work in question, and the utmost reliance may be placed upon his judgment in the selection of such portions of the legislation as really concern the student. The only regret is that one so well qualified by long experience has refrained from any kind of commentary and given us only the unelucidated text.

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DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ ET DE SES FORMES PRIMITIVES. Par ÉMILE DE LAVELEYE. Quatrième édition. Revue et considérablement augmentée. Pp. xxxi, 562. Paris : Alcan, 1891.

The work of M. Laveleye is so well known and the judgments passed upon it are so clear and definite that it is only necessary for the reviewer to discover how far the new edition differs in arrangement and matter from the English translation familiar to most readers and to what extent there is to be found any alteration of opinion or modification of view.

This may be done the more readily by capitulating the additions and omissions, taking the chapters in their order. In so doing it will be noticed that we have enclosed in parenthèses